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In re application of: Fred S. Cook

Application No.: 09/636,232 Group No.: 2683

Filed: August 10, 2000 Examiner: Sharad K. Rampuria

For: TONE-BASED REGISTRATION FOR A MOBILE USER OF

A COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM

TELEPHONE INTERVIEW SUMMARY

Applicant submits this telephone interview summary to meet the requirements of 37 C.F.R. § 1.133(b), and according to the requirements listed in MPEP § 713.04.

Date/Type of Interview:

Telephone interview conducted on December 22, 2004, initiated by Examiner Rampuria in regard to currently pending appeal.

Examiner: Sharad K. Rampuria

Name of Applicant's attorney: Gregg Jansen

Exhibits shown or demonstrations conducted: None

Claims discussed: Independent claims 15 and 35

Prior art discussed: None

General thrust of Examiner's arguments:

Examiner Rampuria stated that claims 15 and 35 would be patentable if amended to include the term "automatically".

General thrust of Applicant's arguments: None

Agreement reached and general nature of the agreement:

Attorney Jansen amended both claim 15 and 35 per his understanding of the Examiner's request. Attorney Jansen faxed the two amended claims to Examiner Rampuria in order to confirm the amendment. The claims were faxed to (703) 746-8308 on 12/22/2004. Examiner Rampuria called Attorney Jansen back on 12/22/04 to confirm that the amendments below were acceptable. Examiner Rampuria indicated in the telephone call that he would enter a corresponding Examiner's amendment.

Proposed amendments: (proposed in the fax)

15. [Proposed Third Amendment] A method of operating a portable user device to register a user with a communication system, the method comprising:

receiving a user registration input in a device controller of the portable user device;

in response to the user registration input, the device controller transferring a call signal to a tone generator of the portable user device and transferring a user identification signal to the tone generator;

receiving the call signal in the tone generator;

in response to the call signal, the tone generator <u>automatically</u> transferring audible call tones from the portable user device to a telephone device to initiate a telephone call;

receiving the user identification signal in the tone generator from the device controller,

in response to the user identification signal, the tone generator transferring audible user identification tones from the portable user device to the telephone device.

35. [Proposed Third Amendment] A portable user device for registering a user with a communication system, the portable user device comprising:

a device controller configured to receive a user registration input, and in response, transfer a call signal and transfer a user identification signal; and

a tone generator configured to receive the call signal, and in response, <u>automatically</u> transfer audible call tones from the portable user device to a telephone device to initiate a telephone call in the communication system, to receive the user identification signal from the device controller, and in response, transfer audible user identification tones from the portable user device to the telephone device and over the telephone call.

Other pertinent matters:

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